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A Newsletter For Employees and Retirees

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Forest Service Marks Birthday

Agency is
88 years old
in February

On February 1, 1905, President Theodore Roosevelt signed the act transferring the forest reserves from the Department of the Interior to the Department of Agriculture. The Forest Service as we know it today was born. A few months later, the Division of Forestry, under whose supervision the forest reserves were placed, was renamed the Forest Service.

Appointed as first chief of the Forest Service was Roosevelt's good friend and advisor Gifford Pinchot, who had served since 1898 as chief of the Division of Forestry within the Agriculture Department. At the time of his appointment as Forest Service chief, Pinchot was 39 years old. Known as "G.P." to friends and coworkers, Pinchot was a dynamic figure who set about molding the organization into what he termed a conservation agency with a mission of public use.

Pinchot, with his self-confidence and determination, was not a man without controversy. However he was revered within the agency and he was able to attract employees notable within the Federal Government for their zeal and dedication to public service. Excitement for the work of the Forest Service is obvious in those early days, much of it creditable to Pinchot, but continued under later administrators.

Pinchot was dismissed from his post in January 1910 by President Howard Taft after Pinchot became embroiled in a political controversy involving Secretary of Interior Richard Ballinger.

Pinchot left a legacy of idealism that he hoped would not die. At the anniversary of the founding

of the Forest Service, we pay tribute not only to Pinchot and his idealism, but the employees of the Forest Service past and present who have continued



Gifford Pinchot. Date unknown.

to shoulder the burden of each day's work, living up to the ideals of what each person sees as the spirit of the service.

John Hughes, deputy regional forester, will be in St. Louis, Missouri, for the next six months to be with his wife Sharon, who is awaiting a lung transplant at a St. Louis hospital.

While John is away, his position will be filled by the following staff: February-March, Chip Cartwright, assistant director, Ecosystem Management, WO; April-May, Larry Gadt, budget coordinator under deputy chief, WO; June-July, Jack Blackwell, staff assistant to Mark Reimers, deputy chief of programs and legislation, WO.

Our best wishes to Sharon and John Hughes and we look forward to having you back in Missoula soon.

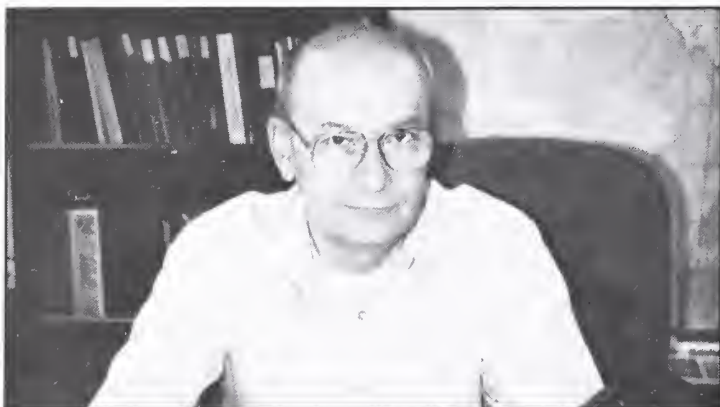




Goldammer Receives National Recognition

by Menn Pollworth, Information Assistant
Nez Perce National Forest

Nez Perce National Forest dispatcher Oliver "Ollie" Goldammer has received the 1992 Al Bell Award for his



Ollie Goldammer

exemplary performance in dispatching for forest fires. Goldammer is the first person from Region 1 to receive the national, interagency award.

According to the interagency selection committee, Goldammer truly represents all the qualities that the Al Bell Award recognizes. He is organized, a good communicator, a professional in planning and executing his duties, and serves as a mentor and role model for others in the fire organization.

Goldammer gets plenty of practice. The Nez Perce has averaged over 250 forest fires a year in the last five record-breaking high fire seasons.

and Cultural Resources, Elliott is "the kind of manager who places high value on introducing visitors to the special places and values of the national forests; who selects, trains, and empowers employees and volunteers to grow in their jobs, and who is committed to continually improving public service despite the bumps and barriers along the trail. He incorporates interpretation into all aspects of the district recreation program. He strives to do a good job every day and places highest priority on moving the programs he manages into the future."

A Forest Service National Award for Excellence in Interpretive Services for 1992 was presented to Regional Forester Dave Jolly "in recognition of the Region's many special efforts to promote and provide better interpretive programs."

Cited as efforts of special note in interpretive services: leadership in the Watchable Wildlife and Windows on the Past programs, partnerships in projects such as the Big Mountain Environmental Education Center and Amtrak interpretive programs, maintaining and improving long-existing programs at such places as Earthquake Lake and Lolo Pass Visitor Centers and Lochsa Historic Ranger Station, leadership and emphasis given to management and interpretation of National Historic Trails and National Forest Scenic Byways.



L to R - Dave Jolly presenting award to Dennis Elliott

Interpretation Awards Given

by Keith Thurlkill, Regional Interpretive Specialist
Regional Office

The Northern Region's first annual National Forest Interpreter of the Year is Dennis Elliott, resource assistant for the Powell Ranger District. Elliott manages the Lolo Pass Visitor Center and a diverse recreation program.

Under Elliott's leadership, exhibits and public service at the Lolo Pass Visitor Center have been constantly upgraded. He has also conducted considerable personal research on the history of Lewis and Clark's journey through the Bitterroot Mountains which has enhanced interpretation of the event. Among many other important contributions, Elliott has helped develop management guidelines to protect and interpret the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail to be incorporated in the Clearwater Forest Plan.

States John Drake, director of Wilderness, Recreation,



L to R - Dave Jolly receiving award from Keith Thurlkill

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77 and Holding

by Menn Pollworth,
Information Assistant
Nez Perce National Forest

The Nez Perce National Forest honored Velma Suhr of Grangeville on her 20th year with the Forest Service. An open house was held January 11 at the Forest Headquarters office where Forest Supervisor Mike King presented Suhr with a Service plaque.

The Forest Service is a second career for Suhr, a graduate of Operation Main Stream, a work training program for people over 55 years. That was 20 years ago. Raising five children was her first career. At 77, Velma looks forward to getting up and going to work. She enjoys people and, to everyone's delight, keeps the office supplied with her baked goodies.



Velma Suhr

Dispelling Stereotypes and Building Bridges

by Michelle Henderson,
Personnel Management Specialist
Lolo National Forest

There are employment programs that work and others that have been disappointing. The Lolo National Forest couldn't be more pleased with the Missoula Development Services Corporation (MDSC), who furnished the Forest with an additional employee for six months last year. Hal Pulling, community employment specialist with MDSC, made the initial contact with the Lolo.

The employee was Dennis Zimmerman, hired on a temporary appointment by Kevin Brown, fire dispatcher at the Supervisor's Office. One of the purposes of MDSC, a non-profit organization, is to get people with developmental disabilities out into the community, in meaningful work. MDSC provides a job coach to ensure the employee learns and correctly completes assignments.

As Zimmerman's supervisor, Brown believes this is good program. "It provides individuals like Dennis with the opportunity to perform meaningful work that we would normally do ourselves, at a much higher cost to the Government. Employing these individuals is also beneficial in building their self esteem and lets them know they are an important part of the community."

During his time on the Lolo, Zimmerman also performed work for other offices, completing routine tasks such as taking map and supply inventory, moving boxes, filing, cleaning, photocopying, and alphabetizing.

Zimmerman's enthusiasm and contribution to the Lolo was greatly appreciated. He performed tasks that enabled the Lolo staff to spend more of their time on more important assignments. It was an enlightening experience that we hope will help eliminate employment barriers for persons with developmental disabilities and educate our workforce in dispelling the stereotypes that sometimes accompany these individuals. Thanks to Dennis for his strong work ethic and his great sense of humor. We look forward to seeing him next year.



Dennis Zimmerman with MDSC job coach Kathryn Springer

Helena Employees Take First Place

by Cathy Maynard, Soil Scientist
Helena National Forest

To help map and classify riparian ecosystems in the Helena National Forest, hydrologist Bo Stuart, hydrologic technician Melanie Scott, and soil scientists Larry Laing and Cathy Maynard have been taking advantage of the computerized mapping technology known as Geographic Information Systems (GIS). The use of computerized maps and their associated data have allowed field crews to more easily identify the many unique and diverse riparian ecosystems found across the Forest.

The team presented a poster describing the use of GIS in the Forest-wide riparian inventory project at the Annual Montana GIS Conference held in Butte November 30-December 3 and were awarded first place in the analytical category and second place for cartographic.



L to R - Natural Resources team leader Jim Guest, Forest Supervisor Ernie Nunn, Larry Laing, Cathy Maynard, Bo Stuart

Springboarding

An early technique of cutting timber in the Pacific Northwest

by Gary McLean, Cultural Resource Officer
Flathead National Forest

During the early 1900s, the logging industry in the Pacific Northwest employed a felling technique that made the harvesting of Western larch more efficient and practical. The technique, called springboard felling, was not one with which all sawyers were familiar.

In using the technique, the sawyers first decided the direction in which they wanted the tree to fall. Then they would cut two small notches just large enough to hold the springboard in place on each side of the tree at from 45 to 90 degree angles from the direction of the fall. Each springboard notch was approximately 8-10 inches long, 2-3 inches high and from 3-5 inches deep. The elevation above ground level of the springboard notches varied from about 3 feet (typical) to 10-12 feet (atypical).

notch in the direction in which the tree would fall. They would then re-position the springboards in order to use the two-man crosscut saw to make the final backcut.

The practice of using the springboard technique, at least in the Flathead Valley, was to remove the butt end of Western larch, which in the larger trees was pitch laden and had to be removed. The use of the springboard would eliminate at least one cut. If the springboard were not used, the larch had to be felled and then cut again above the pitch-laden butt end, a process called "long butting." Normally a cut about 4 feet from the ground was sufficient to remove the pitch-laden end, but the larger larch would require the removal of up to 12 feet of the butt end. This would require that the sawyer make two or more springboard notches in the tree.

After felling the larch, the tree was cut into 8 foot 6 inch long sections (the length of a railroad tie).

Beyond the practice of long butting the larch to cull

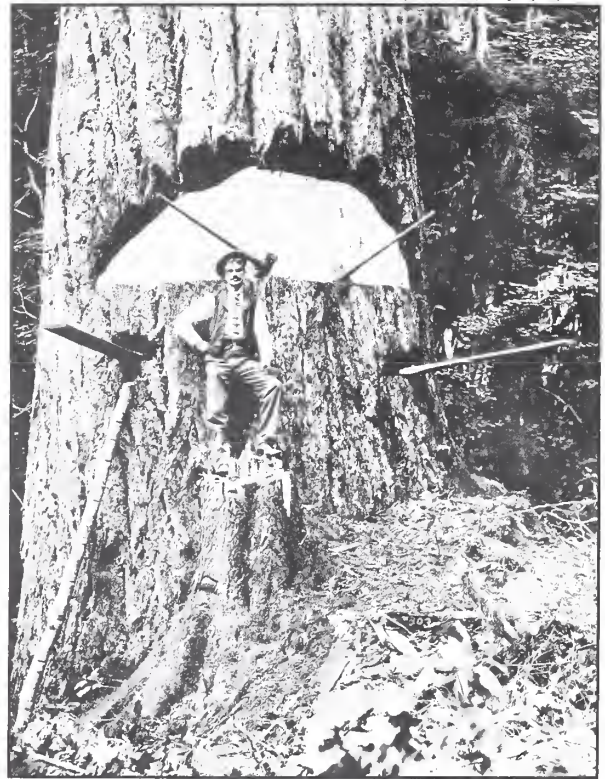
the unuseable pitch-laden butt end, springboarding also facilitated the use of log drives along water courses. It was a

common practice in this area to cut trees in the winter, skid them on log drive chutes or transport them by horse and sled to a log landing adjacent to a water course. If not removed, the pitch-laden butt ends of the larch would not float and the tree would sink. Good examples of this can be seen in the parts of the Stillwater River today where larch that were not butt cut lie at the bottom of the river.

According to local logger Red Soderstrom, the main reason for using the springboard was to save time and effort. A two-man team using the springboard technique could fall considerably more trees in a day than teams using the two cut long butt technique. Fellers were paid by the amount of marketable timber they cut, hence the distinct monetary advantage of using the springboard technique versus the long butt technique.

The practice of springboard felling was overtaken by technology during the 1940s and '50s as gas driven chainsaws came into general use.

Photo by Collier, Olympia, WA



Logging operation in Mason County, Washington, 1899, showing springboarding technique.



River driving logs cut to length of railroad ties on Gallatin River, Montana.

The next step would be for the fellers to climb atop the springboard and, using a double bit ax, chop the felling



Widget

Widget the Saw-Whet Owl

by Beth Paragamian,
Watchable Wildlife Specialist
Idaho Panhandle National Forests

One Friday a couple of months ago, an adult saw-whet owl (so called because its cry supposedly resembles the sound of a saw being whetted or sharpened) was brought into the IPNF Supervisor's Office with a broken wing, an injury probably suffered in an unfortunate meeting with an automobile. The wing was severely damaged and had to be amputated. Now Widget the saw-whet owl is a member of the Wildlife Education Program of Watchable Wildlife. This is his story:

Let's get this straight. Owls are not necessarily wise, cute, or mysterious. That sort of thing is in the eye of the beholder, know what I mean? And we're certainly not messengers of death as some people say. Give me a break. But I'll share a few bona fide facts with you. Let's start with your basic habits. I am a nocturnal bird of prey, your basic "night owl." During winter, though, it's any time, any place—I'm ready to tie the old feed bag on. Now different owls have different ways of hunting. Old perch and pounce has always worked for me. I find a nice perch, locate the meal of choice, and stand back!

Now let's talk about body parts. Where to start. The eyes are especially interesting. They are not on either side of my head like most birds. They're forward-facing, which gives me overlapping fields of view and excellent depth perception. I see quite well during the day and have remarkable vision at night. My eyes have a lot of rods—light gathering cells—which let me see extremely well under very low-light conditions. Since my eyes contain all these rods, they're rather large. Large eyes means little room for eye muscles to control movement, so I can't move my eyes up, down, or side-to-side. To get a good look around, I can rotate my head about 270 degrees. But I can't spin my head all the way around. Get real. If I could, my head would fall off!

As for my hearing, owls may have the sharpest hearing of all animals. Well, that's what they tell me. The circle of feathers around my eyes directs sound to my ears like a satellite dish collects and directs signals. One ear is higher and longer than the other on my skull. This helps in "triangulation"—the ability to calculate location of prey when I hear something, but don't see it.

My feathers are designed for silent flight, handy for a bird of prey. My wings have a fringed edge to allow air to pass through them and reduce the flapping sound made by other birds. I lose some lift ability, but that's offset by the fact that my wings are large in relation to my body size.

To tell you the truth, it's not been the best of times. There are laws to protect owls, but we're often injured. The worst part is that humans are destroying where we live. There are 14 different species of owls that live in Idaho. More than half that number make their home in the forest and need big snags in stands of mature forests. Preserving old growth forests is important to our survival. What goes around comes around. Know what I mean? Help us out.



Beth Paragamian with Widget

Preserving the Wild for the Wildlife

Viewing wildlife is the second most popular recreational activity in Region 1, according to a recent survey by A & A Research. For wildlife, that could be good—or it could be bad. Good in the sense it increases appreciation for wildlife; bad if it leads to destruction of wildlife habitat. Hordes of people tramping the marshes to get a better look at a swan can, over time, greatly affect the environment, including animal and bird life.

One answer to the quandry is the construction of viewing blinds where the public can go, see the wildlife and do minimal damage to the landscape. States Beth Paramagian, IPNF wildlife specialist, "People are drawn to trails and viewing blinds like magnets. If these facilities are offered, people are much less

tempted to go wandering off, disturbing the land and the wildlife."

The Fernan Ranger District recently completed the construction of a wildlife viewing blind on Thompson Lake near



Viewing blind on Thompson Lake

Harrison, in cooperation with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game and Washington Water Power. The site is an optimal one for viewing wildlife. It is the only lake in the "Chain of Lakes" where hunt-

*by Peg Sheridan, Wildlife Biologist
Fernan Ranger District
Idaho Panhandle National Forests*

ing is prohibited. It is used as a refuge for ducks and geese. On occasion it is possible to see swans in the area. Several species of hawks visit the marsh, and in winter it is not uncommon to see a bald eagle. Mammals in the area include white-tailed deer, muskrats, coyotes and beavers.

Many people contributed their talents to building the blind. District wildlife biologist Peg Sheridan worked with Beth Paramagian, Rod Pharness of Washington Water Power, and John Nigh of Idaho Department of Fish and Game to complete the project. Forest engineer Rob Spafford provided expertise on the design and construction of the blind; Forest landscape architect Jane Houghton advised on construction of the trail leading to the blind, both of which are accessible to disabled recreationists.

It is hoped that as more people look to national forests for recreation, the Forest Service can find creative solutions to the potential problem of overuse that could result in heavy impact on the land. Building wildlife blinds is one option for meeting one such problem.

*by Kathy Thompson,
Public Affairs Information Assistant
Clearwater National Forest*

Roads--for Salmon?

Norm Steadman, civil engineering technician for the Clearwater National Forest, has been building roads for 30 years. Last year he was in charge of constructing six miles of road within the Pierce Ranger District. Just how that road was built differs from past road building techniques.

For one thing, the road was built with salmon in mind, minimizing the possibility of sedimentation reaching streams where the fish spawn. For an-

other, there was a timing clause in the contract which gave the contractor ten days to seed and fertilize, put down an erosion control "blanket" and surface any road segments which cross streams.

For this road, called the Lolo-Yoosa for the streams it's affecting, all cut and fill slopes were strewn with a straw mulch to keep soil in place. Past road building practices usually meant putting the straw mulch on just the fill slopes.

Another unusual feature of the Lolo-

Yoosa Road is rock. The entire length of the six-mile road was rocked. In the past, gravel was generally just put on grades in excess of 8 percent.

Steadman praises the contractor for the high level of cooperation that got the job done in such an expeditious manner. Steadman says that the road building techniques incorporated on the Lolo-Yoosa Road will probably be used for all future road work. A good project for the agency—and the salmon.



Revelations at Tukaytesp'e

by Dennis Griffith,
Resource Management
Lochsa Ranger District
Clearwater National Forest

Picture yourself as a Native American living in a small pit house village located on the banks of the Middle Fork of the Clearwater River in the year 2,000 B.C. Your small village is known as "Tukaytesp'e, a good place for skipping stones." Last winter was long and you were occupied by chipping stone into arrow points for hunting deer and elk. One of your family members is grinding seeds on a large mortar stone on the floor of your pit house. You are roasting camas roots to be stored for the next winter. Life is uncomplicated and you are following the ways of your ancestors.

It is now October, 1992 A.D. At the Tukaytesp'e village site (now the location of a national forest picnic area near Kooskia, Idaho) University of Idaho anthropologist Lee Sappington and Clearwater National Forest archaeologist Jeff Fee are examining what appears to be an oven feature. The remain was excavated as part of a "Windows on the Past" Recreation challenge cost-share project. They are speculating why there is very little charcoal evident in the area of the oven.

Allen Pinkham, Nez Perce tribal member and Clearwater National Forest Nez Perce tribal liaison officer, is explaining how his mother roasted camas: "She used to heat rocks in a fire and then

placed them in a pit; then she placed some wet grass over the stones; and placed small flour sacks of camas root over the grass. She then covered the bags with another layer of wet grass and cov-



University of Idaho anthropology students excavating test trench at Tukaytesp'e.

ered the pit with soil. After being left to roast for a time, she removed the camas. Perhaps that is why you are finding no charcoal." Although life is more complicated now, it appears that the Nez Perce tribe is still following the ways of their ancestors.

Sappington, Fee, and Pinkham were working together on a project involving the Clearwater National Forest, the Nez

Perce Tribal Executive Council, the University of Idaho Department of Anthropology and local schools. During the four-week project coordinated by Lochsa Ranger District resource assistant Dennis Griffith, Forest Service and Nez Perce tribal personnel met with over 450 local elementary and high school students, talking about the site and giving tours of the excavation.

University of Idaho anthropologists will use data collected at the site to determine its age, what structures there may have looked like, and what activities may have occurred during the occupation of the village.

The information will be used to plan and install future on-site interpretive signing about the village. Preliminary dating information indicates that the site was first occupied approximately 4,000 years ago. Evidence of three separate pit house structures at differing levels has been found in the test excavation. This would indicate that the site has been a favorite "condo" location for a good long time.

by Hank Finch, Lands Forester
Custer National Forest

FmHA Negotiations Meet with Success

After lengthy discussions with the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA), the Custer National Forest has successfully acquired the first road easement in the nation to be obtained across FmHA inventory property.

FmHA inventory property consists of lands that were either foreclosed upon or voluntarily conveyed to the United States when the landowner was unable to

repay the debt secured by the land. The inventory property, or interests in the property, may be conveyed to Federal agencies who meet specific criteria. In this case the lands were considered to be of "special management importance" because they are adjacent to the National Grasslands and provide needed access for conservation purposes.

The easement format and applica-

tion procedures developed for this case are now available for use service-wide.

Those involved with this effort include: Carl Wolf, Custer National Forest support resource program manager; Mike Williams, former R-1 Regional rights-of-way specialist; Pat Proebstel, Regional land law examiner; Hank Finch, Custer lands forester; Jess Anne Knutson, McKenzie Ranger District technician.



Black History Month - Is there a need?

by Jacqueline Myers,
Regional Equal Employment Manager
Regional Office

Why do we need Black History Month? The true facts of the contributions of African Americans to the discovery, pioneering, development and continuance of America have not properly and adequately been presented in the textbooks and, in general, all communication media in this country. The fact that some changes have been made in recent years points to past deficiencies and the need for fuller coverage of African American contributions. The designation of the month of February each year is an attempt to remedy this neglect and to provide for all Americans the information needed for creative and empathetic understanding about African Americans in this Nation.

The African American history celebration was initiated in 1926 by Dr. Carter G. Woodson, a Harvard graduate and founder of the Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History. The original name used for the observance was Negro History Week. It was Woodson's hope that through this special celebration, all Americans would be reminded of their ethnic roots and as a result there would arise mutual respect for different racial and ethnic backgrounds.

Negro History Week was set in February, an important month symbolically for Blacks because it contains the birthdays of Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln, two figures who have had a profound effect on the advancement of Black Americans. In 1976, the celebration became Black History Month. The name change represented a new thinking and focus by Blacks. "Black" was a term selected by Black Americans themselves to better reflect an appreciation of and esteem for the Black person as an individual and of Black heritage.

For the future, I hope that a point will be reached when the contributions of all Americans in this nation will be so appreciated, understood, and accepted that there will be no need for special observance of one group's place in American history. That day has not arrived for the group whose numbers compose 12 percent of this country's population. Until it does, we shall continue to encourage and provide information needed about African American citizens in the United States, abroad, and specifically throughout the Forest Service organization.

New Employees

Shane LaValley, formerly with the Idaho Panhandle National Forests, is the new contracting officer for the Nez Perce National Forest. He began his career with the Forest Service in 1989 as a contract specialist trainee under the Cooperative Education Program.



Shane LaValley

Outside of work, LaValley and his wife Rolanda enjoy riding mountain bikes, playing softball, and in general being outdoors with their son Michael.

Mary Frances Mahalovich, with the Ecosystem Management Team in Region 9, will fill the position of selective breeding specialist in TCF&PM. The job is based out of Moscow, Idaho. Her primary assignment in R-9 was the development of educational software to interject genetic principles into the management and natural regeneration of northern red oak.



Mary Frances
Mahalovich

Mahalovich, who holds a doctorate from North Carolina State University in quantitative forest genetics, grew up in Gallup, New Mexico. She and her husband are both looking forward to new adventures in Idaho.

Dan Ritter is the new Selway-Bitterroot wilderness coordinator for the Clearwater, Bitterroot and Nez Perce National Forests. Although stationed at the Moose Creek Ranger Station in Grangeville, he will be working with the six ranger districts and three national forests responsible for the management of the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness. Ritter transferred from the Shoshone National Forest in Wyoming where he began his Forest Service career in 1980. He previously worked for the National Park Service in Minnesota and California.



Dan Ritter

Ritter's wife Sherry is a wildlife biologist; they have two sons age 5 and 7.

Ken Stump has been hired as the fire management officer for the Salmon River District, Nez Perce National Forest. His firefighting career began in 1973 with the Department of Forestry in California. Since 1974, he has been with the Forest Service in the states of California, Idaho, and Montana. Stump worked for the Nez Perce as a helitack foreman from 1980-85 and as a suppression officer from 1985-89.

He and his family are happy to be back with the Nez Perce. "It was like coming home for us," Stump said.

Newsletter Guidelines

The Northern Region News is published by the Northern Region Public Affairs Office for employees and retirees. Following are guidelines for submitting stories:

- Articles should feature Forest Service employees and retirees involved in Forest Service activities and projects.

- Articles must be concise and timely. All articles are subject to editing, and may not be used if outdated, inappropriate, or if space does not permit.

- Photos should be black and white, glossy prints if possible.

- Send articles to G. Weisgerber: R01A (Data General) or Gloria Weisgerber, Northern Region Public Affairs Office, P.O. Box 7669, Missoula, MT 59807. The public affairs officer on your Forest may want to preview articles before they are sent. If so, please follow that process.

Retirement News

Richard C. "Dick" Deden, assistant director of the Division of Timber, Cooperative Forestry & Pest Management for Region 1, retired January 8. A native of Red Wing, Minnesota, Deden served 32 1/2 years with the Forest Service, all in the Northern Region. Beginning with the Beaverhead, he later worked for the Kootenai, Flathead, and Kaniksu National Forests. He transferred to the Regional Office in 1970. He and his wife will continue to live in Missoula.

Jim Huntley, is retiring as civil engineering technician with the Nez Perce National Forest. It was 34 years ago that Huntley began his Forest Service career as a surveying aid. He stated the milestones of his career include wearing out 10 pairs of boots, walking around 40,000 miles, and eating 10,000 sandwiches. Huntley plans to take care of his worn out knees from all the walking, write, and get back to sketching while in Grangeville and Dixie. As he hangs up his last pair of boots, Jim will be doing some traveling on his Harley-Davidson, ride horses, and likely do a little fishing.

Ken Keefe, retired January 8 after 30 years of Federal service. Since 1988, Keefe worked as a landscape architect for the Beaverhead National Forest. During his 28-year career with the Forest Service he worked for the Kootenai, Lolo, Deerlodge, Beaverhead, and Nez Perce National Forests in Region 1 and Cache National Forest in Region 4. From 1977-80, Keefe worked for the Forest Commission of Victoria, Australia.

Keefe and his wife plan to start a business, spend time with their relatives in Australia, travel in the U.S. and in Europe, and enjoy their six grown children.

Bill Meadows, training specialist for Aviation and Fire Management (AFM), retired January 8 after 26 1/2 years of Federal service. Meadows, who has previous employment with BLM as well as NPS, worked 25 1/2 years for the Forest Service. He served with the Kaniksu National Forest and the Intermountain Research Station's Fire Science Laboratory, Missoula, in addition to 23 years at the AFM.

Meadows, his wife and three children have moved to their ranch in Trout Creek, Montana, where he plans to expand his cattle business.

Ken Meeker, civil engineering technician with the Beaverhead National Forest, retired after 38 years with the Forest Service. After spending 11 1/2 years at Sandpoint, Idaho, Meeker made the one and only transfer of his career to the Beaverhead where he started work in 1966. Meeker and his wife have two young daughters. Now he'll get to do what every father wishes he could do—spend more time with his kids while they're little. He also plans to find part-time employment.

Lee Mowreader retired January 1 after more than 40 years of Government service. He was a civil engineering technician at St. Maries Ranger District, IPNF, and had worked for the Forest Service since 1975. Mowreader may pursue ammunition reloading to accompany his interest in hunting. He and his wife are also planning trips to California and New York to visit their children.

Jack Myers, operations engineer for the Kootenai National Forest Supervisor's Office, retired January 3 after 30 years of Federal service. Since 1965, Myers has worked for Mt. Baker and Mt. Hood National Forests before transferring to the Kootenai in 1979. Myers plans to work outside the agency for a couple of years before completely retiring in Libby.

Jo Sheppard, who began her Forest Service career in 1967 in Helena, retired in January as a contracting specialist for the Nez Perce National Forest where she had been employed since 1990. She and her husband are returning to Helena where they will remodel their home. Sheppard also plans to volunteer for the Forest Service as a teacher and work on government property inventory.

George Wilson, 22-year veteran of the Flathead National Forest, retired January 18. During his 30 years with the Forest Service he served in various capacities, including district silviculturist and timber management assistant. Wilson was recently honored by the International Larix Symposium for his innovative application to western larch forest management.

Other Retirements

Jo Ellen Baker, support service supervisor, Sandpoint RD, Idaho Panhandle NFs.

Donald Bennett, supervisory forestry technician, Swan Lake RD, Flathead NF

Marian Blatch, purchasing agent, Coeur d'Alene Nursery, Idaho Panhandle NFs

Leroy Brooks, construction representative, Bitterroot NF

James Cyr, A&FM, Regional Office

Frank Ferguson, forestry technician, Sula RD, Bitterroot NF

Bob Hensler, planning staff officer, Flathead NF

Edward Nilson, training technician, Anaconda CCC, Deerlodge NF

Sydne Parker-Smith, supervisory resource specialist, Idaho Panhandle NFs

Bill Pederson, district ranger, Swan Lake RD, Flathead NF

Ted Rieger, range conservationist, Custer NF

Barney Sedlacek, safety/occupational health manager, Flathead NF

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AWARDS AND PROMOTIONS

ALBERTSON, JOLENE, forestry technician, Elk City RD, cash award

BEEGLE, BROOKS, hydrologic aid, Red River RD, cash award

CRAWFORD, JOHN, forestry technician, Selway RD, cash award

FUNK, MARY, forester, Red River RD, cash award

HAYHURST, MARIE, resource clerk, Elk City RD

HUNTLEY, JAMES, civil engineering technician, cash award

LAKE, LEONARD, range conservationist, promotion from Humboldt

LEIDENFROST, KAREN, resource clerk, Red River RD, cash award

LOOMIS, GARY, forestry technician, Elk City RD, cash award

NEWMAN, RUSSELL, forestry technician, Elk City RD, cash award

NUXOLL, SANDRA, resource assistant, SO, quality step increase

OGDEN, DEE, forester, Elk City RD, cash award

ORTEGA, STEVEN, range conservationist, Clearwater RD, cash award

OWENS, CARL, computer assistant, Elk City RD, cash award

ROUNDY, JEFF, forestry technician, Red River RD, cash award

SHEPHERD, KAREN, staffing assistant, SO, quality step increase

SORENSEN, DONALD, range conservationist, Salmon River RD, cash award

STOCKWELL, JEFFREY, forester, Elk City RD, cash award

WALLACE, ROBERT, supervisory forestry technician, Salmon River RD, cash award

WILSEY, ERICA, computer assistant, Elk City RD, cash award

WRIGHT, WAYNE, civil engineering technician, SO, cash award

WULFF, DOUGLAS, forester, Red River RD, cash award

REGIONAL OFFICE

AWARDS & PROMOTIONS

ANDERSON, BETTY, resource financial analyst, ADM, promotion

ANTONICH, WILLIAM, public affairs specialist, PAO, QSI

CALCATERRA, JAMES, mtrls engineering technician, ENG, QSI

CHAMBERLIN, PAUL, forstry technician (smokejumper), A&FM, QSI

CHISM, PATRICIA, office automation clerk, ADM, promotion, personnel clerk, PM

COLLING, GENE, A/V production specialist, PAO, QSI

CUSTER, DAVID, forestry technician (smokejumper), A&FM, cash award (from WO)

CYR, JAMES, supervisory forestry technician, A&FM, cash award

DAUGHERTY, KATHERINE, information assistant, PAO, QSI

EVENSON, SANDRA, forestry technician, A&FM, QSI

GAST, SANDRA, entomologist, TCFPM, QSI

HEARE, KENNETH, safety & occupational health specialist, A&FM, promotion

KEENE, BRUCE, computer specialist, A&FM, cash award (from WO)

KERN, LEO, maintenance worker, A&FM, spot award

KINDERMAN, JEFFREY, supervisory forester technician-smokejumper, A&FM, QSI

LINVILLE, JAMES, supervisory forestry technician (smokejumper), A&FM, QSI

MYERS, JACQUE, equal employment specialist, PM, promotion from WO

MCCART, KATHLEEN, computer specialist, PM, cash award

NELSON, LINDA, resource assistant, TCFPM, QSI

ONKEN, TODD, forestry technician (smokejumper), A&FM, QSI

PEARSON, ROBERTA L., management analyst, ADM, QSI

PLATTES, BARBARA, land law examiner, L&M, cash award

RESNER, BONNY, supply technician, A&FM, QSI

TAYLOR, JANE, plant pathologist, TCFPM, QSI

THOMAS, WILLIAM, forestry technician (smokejumper), A&FM, QSI

THOMPSON, KATHERINE, employment development specialist, PM reassignment, R-5

ZWANG, CHERYLE, public affairs specialist, PAO, QSI

In Memoriam

Arval Anderson, 90, died January 21 in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Born in Moscow, Idaho in 1902, Anderson began working for the Forest Service in 1926 as a surveyor-draftsman in the Intermountain Region Division of Engineering, Ogden, Utah. From 1934-38, he served in the Washington Office Division of Engineering. In 1938 he was promoted to Regional Engineer in the Intermountain Region Headquarters in Ogden. Anderson was named Regional Engineer for Region 1 in 1959. He retired in 1963 after 37 years of Federal service.

J. Ernest Wells, 82, died of congestive heart failure January 2. Born in Sweetwater, Idaho, Wells worked for the Clearwater Ranger District, Nez Perce National Forest for 26 years, retiring in 1988.

Personnel Update

BEAVERHEAD NATIONAL FOREST

AWARDS & PROMOTIONS

AVEY, BILL, recreation/minerals specialist, Wisdom RD, cash award
HARRY, LEE, silviculturalist, SO and Wisdom RD, cash award
WETZSTEON, HAL, fire management officer, SO, cash award

BITTERROOT NATIONAL FOREST

AWARDS & PROMOTIONS

ARONSON, JIM, forester, West Fork RD, cash award
BEER, JEFFREY, vocational instructor, Trapper Creek JCC, cash award
COOPER, JOHN, social services assistant, Trapper Creek JCC, promotion
DECKER, GARY, hydrologist, SO, QSI
HAYES, FOREST, biological scientist, SO, cash award
HAYES, TED, natural resources training instructor, Trapper Creek JCC, cash award
KIEFFER, SALLY, social services assistant, Trapper Creek JCC, promotion
LEWIS, RUTH, computer assistant, SO, QSI
MARVIN, ELEANOR, personnel assistant, QSI
MENA EVANS, RAMONA, support services supervisor, West Fork RD, cash award
OLSON, CHUCK, engineering equipment operator foreman, SO, cash award
SPRADLIN, HERB, supervisory forester, West Fork RD, cash award

CLEARWATER NATIONAL FOREST

AWARDS & PROMOTIONS

ELLIOTT, DENNIS, forester, Powell RD, cash award
HARBAUGH JR, GEORGE, forester, Lochsa RD, cash award
JONES, CHERI, forester, Powell RD, QSI
MCWILLIAMS, TOM, forestry technician, Palouse RD, QSI
MURPHY, PATRICK, fisheries biologist, SO, temporary promotion
SEESHOLTZ, CECILIA, forester, SO, transfer/promotion, R-9, Hiawatha NF
STEINER, RANDY, personnel clerk, SO, promotion
THEIMER, MYRA, forester, North Fork RD, QSI
WELLS, JAMES (MIKE), forestry technician, Palouse RD, QSI
WESTON, JOHN, forester, North Fork RD, QSI
WHITE, CHERYL, resource specialist, SO, temporary promotion

REASSIGNMENTS/TRANSFERS

GRUBB, ROBERT, forestry technician, North Fork RD, reassignment, Nezperce NF
SCOTT, MICHAEL, forestry technician, North Fork RD, reassignment
SEESHOLTZ, DAVID, forester, Pierce RD to R-9, Hiawatha NF, transfer
SWAYNE, LYNNE, civilian pay clerk (typing), Nezperce NF, transfer, North Fork RD

CUSTER NATIONAL FOREST

AWARDS & PROMOTIONS

DAGUE, JAMES G., cash award, district ranger, Sioux RD
FINCH, HANK A., cash award, forester, SO
FLOODMAN, MERVIN G., cash award, archeologist McKenzie RD
KINDLE, BRYAN D., cash award, range conservationist, McKenzie RD
KNUTSON, JESS ANN, cash award, range technician, McKenzie RD
MACINTYRE, ZONA R., cash award, computer assistant, SO
PETIK, GARY L., cash award, range conservationist, McKenzie RD
POTTS, LARRY R., cash award, district ranger, Sheyenne RD
SMITH, LARRY E., cash award, forestry technician, SO
SPEER, ANN M., promotion, accounting technician, SO

REASSIGNMENTS/TRANSFERS

BIRDINGROUND, WILFORD, range conservationist, Lewis & Clark NF, reassignment, Ashland RD
RICHTMYER, GARY, forestry technician, Deerlodge NF, reassignment, Medora RD
RINEHART, SUSAN, botanist, Deerlodge NF, reassignment, Medora RD

DEERLODGE NATIONAL FOREST

AWARDS AND PROMOTIONS

ABBOTT, DARWIN, forestry technician, Philipsburg RD, cash award
BALLANTYNE, LARRY, forestry technician, Philipsburg RD, cash award
BARRINGER, PAT, civil engineering technician, Jefferson RD, cash award
BIEBER, PATSY, accounting technician, SO, cash award & promotion
BOHRNSEN, JUDY, support services specialist, Philipsburg RD, cash award
BUNCE, JOHN, land surveyor, SO, cash award
DEARING, PAT, contract specialist, SO, quality step increase
DEARING, BOB, engineering equipment operator, SO, cash award
DESPAIN, DON, range conservationist, Deer Lodge RD, cash award
DODGE, JOCELYN, forester, Butte RD, cash award
DUECK, SANDRA, computer assistant, Jefferson RD, cash award
EDELIN, RUSSELL, biological science technician, Deer Lodge RD, cash award
EWING, MARGARET, forester (adm), Butte RD, cash award
FOLLMAN, BETSY, wildlife biologist, Butte RD, cash award
GAFFANEY, JOAN, forestry technician, Philipsburg RD, cash award
GILMAN, BOB, forester (adm), Deer Lodge RD, cash award
GOEPFERD, WAYNE, computer programmer analyst, cash award
GREY, WANDA, forestry technician, Jefferson RD, cash award
GUMP, ROBERT, forester, Philipsburg RD, cash award
HAMANN, JOHN, soil scientist, Butte RD, promotion
HAMMOND, ERROL, forester, Deer Lodge RD, cash award

HINCKLE, CHUCK, forestry technician, Philipsburg RD, cash award
HINKLE, HEIDI, information receptionist, Philipsburg RD, cash award
HODGE, BOB, forestry technician, Butte RD, cash award
HOEHNE, RONA, resource assistant, Philipsburg RD, cash award
JOHNS, BOB, forestry technician, Butte RD, cash award
JOY, JOHN, forester, Jefferson RD, cash award
KELLEY, STEVE, forestry technician, Philipsburg RD, cash award
KNEVEL, KURT, civil engineering technician, Philipsburg RD, cash award
LABAHN, WENDY, forester, Philipsburg RD, cash award
LEARN, GARY, forester, Philipsburg RD, cash award
LEETZ, GREG, archeological technician, Butte RD, cash award
LUNCEFORD, CECILIA, support services specialist, Deer Lodge RD, cash award
MARTIN, MIKE, forestry technician, Philipsburg RD, cash award
MICKELSON, GINA, office automation clerk, Philipsburg RD, cash award & promotion
MILLEY, AL, forester, Philipsburg RD, cash award
MURRAY, LEE, forester, Philipsburg RD, cash award
OLSON, TRUDI, office automation clerk, SO, quality step increase
PATTERSON, HELEN, office automation clerk, SO, promotion
RICHTMYER, GARY, civil engineering technician, Deer Lodge RD, cash award
RINEHART, SUSAN, botanist, Jefferson RD, cash award
RUSSELL, FRANK, forestry technician, Jefferson RD, cash award
RUSSELL, LAURIE, resource assistant, Jefferson RD, cash award
SAJOR-JOYCE, LINDA, operations research analyst, SO, cash award
SCHIMANSKI, DONNA, support services specialist, Jefferson RD, cash award
SCOTT, GLENDA, forester, Philipsburg RD, cash award
SCOTT, SHAWN, resource assistant, Deer Lodge RD, cash award
SCHUELKE, BRUCE, forester, Butte RD, cash award
SHAW, GARLAND, range conservationist, Philipsburg RD, cash award
SIEMENS, ROGER, forester, SO, cash award
SMITH, MARJORIE, social service aid, Anaconda CCC, Quality Step Increase
SOLOGUB, JOE, criminal investigator, SO, cash award
SOVEY, SALLY, wildlife biologist, Butte RD, cash award
SPRAUER, BILL, forester, Philipsburg RD, cash award
STRICKLAND, LINSEY, forestry technician, SO, cash award
SWEET, KATHY, writer editor, Philipsburg RD, cash award
THOMPSON, BRIAN, land surveyor, SO, cash award
WEIKEL, BOBBI, budget & accounting analyst, SO, cash award
WELDON, MIKE, land surveyor, SO, cash award
WIEBE, LINDON, forestry technician, Philipsburg RD, cash award
WINKER, LENA, office automation clerk, Deer Lodge RD, cash award
YGNATOWIZ, JERI, personnel clerk, SO, cash award

REASSIGNMENTS/TRANSFERS

DUNN, MARTIN, social services assistant, reassignment, alcohol/drug abuse specialist, Anaconda CCC
LOHBECK, LESLIE, biological research technician, Agricultural Research, reassignment, recreation assistant, Anaconda CCC

FLATHEAD NATIONAL FOREST

AWARDS & PROMOTIONS

ALLISON, RITA, resource clerk, Glacier View RD, cash award
BOND, DEBRA, forester, SO, cash award
BROSTON, ARNE, forester, Swan Lake RD, cash award
BUNNELL, DAVE, fire/ecology staff officer, SO, quality step increase
EGUCHI, MARCIA, accounting technician, SO, spot award
FEDOR, TOM, forestry technician, Tally Lake RD, cash award
HORNING, DAVE, wildlife biologist, SO, cash award
MANLEY, DEB, supervisory forester, Tally Lake RD, cash award
OVERLY, DON, administrative officer, SO, cash award
PACKER, JANE, computer assistant, Hungry Horse RD, cash award
PENNER, STEVE, forester, Swan Lake RD, cash award
POCHELON, REMY, forester, Swan Lake RD, quality step increase
RICE, NOLA, procurement assistant, SO, cash award
ROBBINS, WILLIE, forestry technician, Tally Lake RD, cash award
ROKER, SANDY, editorial assistant, SO, cash award
SODERSTROM, KEITH, supervisory resource planning coordinator, SO, cash award

REASSIGNMENTS

MORRISON, JIM, biological scientist, RO, to planning staff officer, SO

GALLATIN NATIONAL FOREST

AWARDS & PROMOTIONS

BACHMAN, TONY, land surveyor, promotion, Prescott NF
MCCLURE, WALLY, fisheries biologist, cash award, Bozeman RD

REASSIGNMENTS/TRANSFERS

EVERETT, DAVE, supervisory forester, reassignment, Clearwater NF
ONDOV, RACHEL, biological technician, reassignment, range technician, Townsend RD

HELENA NATIONAL FOREST

AWARDS & PROMOTIONS

ANDERSEN, TOM, forester, SO, cash award
DALBEC, FRED, civil engineer, SO, cash award
DRINVILLE, BRIAN, lead forestry technician, Helena RD, cash award

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EDGERLEY, COLLEEN, resource clerk, Helena RD, QSI award
 EDWARDS, LARRY, supervisory forestry technician, Helena RD, cash award
 ELDER, KELLEY, lead forestry technician, Helena RD, cash award
 GEORGIO, KARYL, budget and accounting officer, SO, QSI award
 HAMERS, LAURIE, contract specialist, SO, QSI award
 LAING, LARRY, soil scientist, SO, cash award
 MAYNARD, CATHY, soil scientist, SO, promotion and
 MCKENNA, CHARLIE, civil engineer, SO, cash award
 MILBURN, DEBBIE, office automation clerk, Helena RD,
 MILBURN, DENNIS, forestry technician, QSI award
 MOOTHART, LAVERNA, purchasing agent, SO, QSI award
 OLIVER, MICHAEL, public affairs specialist, SO, cash award
 RICE, GEORGE, land surveyor, SO, cash award
 SCOTT, MELANIE, hydrologic technician, SO, cash award
 STRALEY, BILL, mining engineer, SO, cash award
 STUART, BO, hydrologist, SO, cash award
 WELDON, GEORGE, forester administrator, Townsend RD, cash award

REASSIGNMENTS/TRANSFERS

CAMPBELL, DARCEY, computer assistant, SO, reassignment
 ONDOV, RACHEL, range technician, Gallatin NF, reassignment, Townsend RD

IDAHO PANHANDLE NATIONAL FORESTS

AWARDS & PROMOTIONS

BENSCOTER, MARVETTE, quality step increase, St. Maries RD
 BEUSKENS, ROY, cash award, SO
 BRIGHT, DONALD, merit increase, Fernan RD
 BRO, MARGARET, cash award, SO
 BROCKUS, GRANT, forestry technician, promotion, Priest Lake RD
 COLLOTZI, ALBERT, merit increase, SO
 COOK, CAROL, cash award, SO
 CRISWELL, JOHN, merit increase, SO
 DAMON, WILLIAM, merit increase, SO
 DUNSTAN, KENT, merit increase, Avery RD
 DUTTON, LEANN, quality step increase, SO
 ELY, HAROLD, cash award, eng, Fernan RD
 GILBERT, BRADLEY, merit increase, SO
 HALLEN, DAVID, supervisory contract specialist, temporary promotion
 & cash award, contract specialist, SO
 HENDERSON-NORTON, DEBORAH, merit increase, Bonners Ferry RD
 HIEBERT, PAUL, cash award, Avery RD
 HOOPER, SHIRLEY, cash award, SO
 JACKSON, DAN, cash award, SO
 KEITH, NORMANDY, cash award, Priest Lake RD
 KNODEL, DOROTHY, quality step increase, SO
 LAVENDEL, CLAIRE, merit increase, Sandpoint RD
 LOPER, RITA, cash award, SO
 LORENZ, JUDITH, resource assistant, promotion, St. Maries RD
 MCCAMMON, MICHELE, cash award, Bonners Ferry RD
 MARYOTT, DOUGLAS, Wallace RD, forester, temporary promotion,
 supervisory forester, Fernan RD
 MITCHELL, DELVIN, merit increase, SO
 MYERS, GRADY, cash award, SO
 NACCARATO, ROBERTA, cash award, Priest Lake RD
 NEIL, AMBER, cash award, Bonners Ferry RD
 OLSON-BOYD, MARY, cash award, SO
 PALMER, SUSAN, cash award, SO
 PERIN, CLAYTON, cash award, engineer, Priest Lake RD
 PERRY, LAUREN, cash award, Priest Lake RD
 POLICCHIO, PEGGY, cash award, Fernan RD
 RAHM, GARY, merit increase, SO
 REHNBERG, ROBERT, cash award, Fernan RD
 REICHERT, GEORGENE, cash award, Fernan RD
 RENTERIA, LUPE, merit increase, SO
 RENTFRO, LOYD, cash award, Priest Lake RD
 RUMELHART, BETTY, cash award, SO
 SHANAHAN, KELLY, quality step increase, Bonners Ferry RD
 SHERIDAN, MARGARET, cash award, Fernan RD
 SHORT, BEVERLY, cash award, SO
 SIERN, GARY, merit increase, St. Maries RD
 SMITH, MARK, cash award, Fernan RD
 SPAULDING, JAMES, merit increase, SO
 STEVENSON, MICHAEL, quality step increase, Bonners Ferry RD
 STRUNK, DONALD, cash award, Priest Lake RD
 SVENSRUD, MARY, cash award, SO
 TAYLOR, JENNIFER, cash award, Bonners Ferry RD
 TRUSCOTT, GLENN, cash award, Fernan RD
 WALLACE, JAMES, cash award, Fernan RD
 WESTFALL, KIRK, quality step increase, Bonners Ferry RD
 WILLIAMS, STEVE, merit increase, Wallace RD
 WILSON, WENDY, cash award, Avery RD
 WRATNI, FRANCIS, cash award, Sandpoint RD
 YOUNG, BARBARA, cash award, Priest Lake RD

REASSIGNMENTS/TRANSFERS

AITKEN, REX, forestry technician, Fernan RD, reassignment, Bonners Ferry RD
 BUTLER, DEBRA, forester, reassignment, forester, Priest Lake RD
 GUNTER, DONALD, forester, reassignment, supervisory forester, Bonners Ferry RD
 HETZLER, GREGORY, supervisory forester, reassignment, Sandpoint RD
 RIPATTI, LORI, purchasing agent, reassignment, supervisory purchasing agent, Bonners Ferry RD
 TOWN, TIM, personnel management specialist, reassignment, labor relations specialist, SO
 WILKINS, DEBORAH, forester, Bonners Ferry RD, reassignment, Fernan RD
 WILLIAMS, CARY, forestry technician, reassignment, Priest Lake RD

KOOTENAI NATIONAL FOREST

AWARDS & PROMOTIONS

ADAMS, PAM, computer assistant, Fisher River RD, cash award
 BERNARD, JIM, civil engineering technician, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 BOYER, STEVE, land surveyor, SO, cash award
 BROWN, GARY, civil engineering technician, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 BROWN, LONI, supervisory civil engineer, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 BULLOCK, JACK, civil engineering technician, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 BURKE, JAY, forestry technician, Rexford RD, qsi
 CARLIN, ROBERT, supervisory forester, Fortine RD, QSI
 CORDA, AL, silviculturist, SO, QSI
 CRAIG, JOHN, forestry technician, Fisher River RD, QSI
 CRISMON, GARY, surveying technician, SO, cash award
 CUMMINGS, JENNIE, laborer, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 DAVIDSON, TAMMI, cartographic technician, SO, cash award
 DILLON, ZANDRA, contract specialist, SO, promotion
 DUTTON, LEE, civil engineering technician, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 GOESER, DAN, civil engineering technician, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 HAMMACK, TOM, realty specialist, SO, cash award
 HANSON, RON, civil engineering technician, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 HENDRICKSON, MARTHA, civil engineering technician, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 HOGAN, VALERIE, civil engineering technician, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 HUGHES, AL, land surveyor, SO, cash award
 HURD, GARY, civil engineering technician, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 JOHNSTON, JONETTE, business management clerk, Libby RD, cash award
 KERN, KEN, surveying technician, SO, cash award
 KERZMAN, NEAL, civil engineering technician, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 KIDDER, ELLA, forestry technician, Three Rivers RD, cash award
 KOLLMAYER, JANE, deputy ranger, Idaho Panhandle NF, temporary promotion,
 district ranger, Fortine RD
 KOOKEN, ROBERT, automotive worker, Three Rivers RD, cash award
 LAMB, FRANK, computer specialist, SO, promotion
 LAMPTON, LARRY, civil engineering technician, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 LEO, GEORGE, civil engineering technician, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 LOPES, JIM, forestry technician, SO, cash award
 MORRIS, TERRI, civil engineering technician, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 NESS, DENNIS, civil engineering technician, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 NEUMAN, DAN, supervisory civil engineering technician, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 PEARSON, RONALD, land surveyor, SO, cash award
 PRICE SR, HOWARD, laborer, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 RICH, BRUCE, civil engineering technician, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 SARGENT, JASON, forestry technician, Fisher River RD, cash award
 STANTUS, PAUL, supervisory civil engineer, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 STEWART, NICK, civil engineering technician, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 TUCKER, DONNA, civil engineering technician, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 WARNELL, YUKI, cartographic technician, SO, cash award
 WEGNER, MARTI, supervisory civil engineer, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 WELLS JR, RAY, civil engineering technician, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 WERTS, KURT, forestry technician, R8, Francis-Marion NF, promotion,
 forestry technician, Cabinet RD
 WICKA, MONTE, civil engineering technician, East Zone Engineering, cash award
 WISCHER, DAVE, forester, Cabinet RD, QSI
 WISENER, JIM, civil engineering technician, East Zone Engineering, cash award

REASSIGNMENTS/TRANSFERS

GAUTREAUX, RUSSELL, forester, Three Rivers RD, reassignment

LEWIS & CLARK NATIONAL FOREST

PROMOTIONS & AWARDS

BLOMQUIST, DEAN, promotion, forestry technician, Musselshell RD
 HENDRICKSON, SUE, cash award, SO
 HERTEL, JAMES, spot award, SO
 RASH, ELDON, promotion, range conservationist, SO
 SASSE, DONALD, spot award, Kings Hill RD
 SMITH, RICHARD, cash award, SO

LOLO NATIONAL FOREST

AWARDS & PROMOTIONS

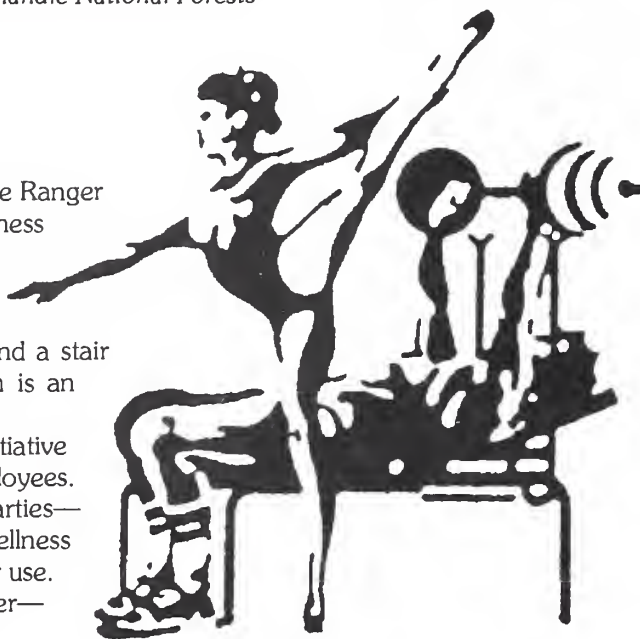
BAILEY, DAN, supervisory forestry technician, Missoula RD, temporary promotion, SO, Resources
 DALEY, DIANNE K., cash award, forester, Ninemile RD
 HAWK, RONALD, forester, temporary promotion, supervisory forester, SO
 KIPPHUT, JOSEPH, forester, temporary promotion, public affairs specialist, Missoula RD
 SUMMERFIELD, DALLAS, cash award, contract specialist, SO

Shaping up at Priest Lake

by Patty Jackson, Resource Clerk
Priest Lake Ranger District
Idaho Panhandle National Forests

Recently, the Priest Lake Ranger District proudly announced its Wellness Room was "open for business." Equipment includes two rowing machines, a stationary bicycle, ski machine, weight lifting equipment, and a stair stepper. Also a part of the program is an aerobics class held in a nearby room.

It all happened thanks to the initiative and hard work of many district employees. Bake sales, silent auctions, work parties—every little bit helped to get the Wellness Room properly outfitted and ready for use. Keeping fit at Priest Lake is now easier—and a lot more fun.



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